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New Marina to be built at Philpott Park

Bassett, Virginia—A new marina facility will be built at Philpott Lake, US Army Corps of Engineers officials announced today. "The Wilmington District has issued a Notice of Award for the lease of the marina concession to William R. Martin, Jr.," said Project Operations Manager Carl Smith. "Mr. Martin's proposed a development plan that offers great services to the public," Smith said.

The new marina facility will be incorporated within Philpott Park, located in Henry County, Virginia. Plans for the new facility include boat docks, gasoline sales, wet and dry storage facilities, public restrooms, a floating concession dock that will sell short order food and fishing and camping supplies, rental cabins, and a restaurant facility.

"The basic marina facilities, gasoline station and restrooms are expected to be in place next year," Smith said. "The other facilities, including the cabins and restaurant will be added as time goes on. We expect the property to be under development for up to five years."

"We will issue a Notice to Proceed with construction when we receive satisfactory results from an Environmental Assessment presently being conducted on the proposed lease site," Smith said. "We anticipate a construction start before the year is out."